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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear DOJ folks,

I would like to express my opinion re the case against Microsoft and the settlement you and some states have reached. First of all, I do not think the case was justified in the first place. It doesn't seem to me that Microsoft is guilty of anything beyond trying to build better products that would most efficiently serve the vast bulk of computer users. The settlement you reached with Microsoft is far far better than your original weird ideas about breaking up the company.

I am not a lawyer but it seems very strange to me that state Attorney Generals have anything to say about antitrust law. The nine non-conforming Attorney Generals should go back to dealing with state matters.

The competitors of Microsoft who are asking for the government to make their life easier by punishing Microsoft should compete in the marketplace and not by lobbying you and Congress.

It is time to put this ill-advised venture behind us and move on.

Sincerely,
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